PROCLAMATION Breast Cancer Awareness Month 2014

WHEREAS, while considerable progress has been made in the fight against breast cancer, it remains the most commonly diagnosed cancer and the second leading cause of death among women in the United States; and

WHEREAS, each year it is estimated that more than 220,000 women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer and more than 40,000 will die as a result of the disease; and

WHEREAS, October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, an annual campaign to increase awareness about the disease; and

WHEREAS, during this month, we reaffirm our commitment to support breast cancer research and to educate all citizens about its risk factors, detection and treatment; and

WHEREAS, as we display pink ribbons and wear pink clothing to raise awareness, we also support those courageously fighting breast cancer and honor the lives lost to the disease; and

WHEREAS, this October, we recognize breast cancer survivors, those battling the disease, their families and friends who are a tireless source of love and encouragement, and applaud the efforts of our medical professionals and researchers working to find a cure for this deadly disease; and

WHEREAS, Breast Cancer Awareness Month is an opportunity to unite all citizens in our community to prevent breast cancer deaths through increased education and regular screening;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Buddy Dyer, Mayor of Orlando, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2014 as

"Breast Cancer Awareness Month"

in the City of Orlando.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *I* hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Orlando to be affixed this 1st day of October 2014.